

Malappalli village, Chintamani Taluk, Kolar District ;

(b) whether land has been granted in this S. No. to persons not belonging to backward communities ;

(c) whether land granted to the backward community people was cancelled ;

(d) whether the land granted to the persons of other communities has also been cancelled ?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) No.

#### Construction of Anecut across Suvarnavati River in Kollegal Taluk.

\*Q.—402. Sri T. P. BORIAH (Kollegal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

the reasons for not starting the work of constructing an anecut across Suvarnavati river near Mudagundam in Kollegal Taluk though it has been included in the Second Five-Year Plan ?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

The original estimate got up for Rs. 7 lakhs is under further examination to see if the scope of the project could be increased.

#### Encouragement to Artisans manufacturing Sandalwood Articles.

\*Q.—439. Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA (Mangalore).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of applications received and the quantity of sandalwood

asked for by the artisans working in the State for manufacture of sandalwood articles or articles where sandalwood is used in operation during the year 1956-57, 1957-58, 1958-59 ;

(b) the number of applications and quantity supplied in response to them during the said period ;

(c) the price at which the sandalwood was sold and the amount realised districtwar for the above period ;

(d) the facilities and concessions the Government are giving for encouraging the artisans in stepping up production ;

(e) what arrangements have been made to collect the products and market the same ;

(f) whether the Government have made any arrangements for export of these articles to foreign countries ?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forest and Transport).—

(a) The total number of applications received and the quantity supplied are as below :—

No. of applications.—

1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
8	18	6

Quantity supplied.—

T.C.Lb.Oz.	T.C.Lb.Oz.	T.C.Lb.Oz.
2·10·89·0.	4·2·85·0.	2·5·23·0.

(b) *Vide* reply furnished against item No. (a) above.

(c) The sandalwood is supplied to Gudigars at the concessional rate at 25 per cent of the average market rates as fixed by the Conservator of Forests, Belgaum, during April of each year based on the averages of previous years' sales. In Mysore, Shimoga and Bangalore the sandalwood is sold at 50 per cent of the sanctioned rates. In addition to these concessions, the carvers are permitted to exchange sandalwood shavings, saw dust and Hathrichilta for sound billets on value to value basis.